

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the careful consideration given the present application. The application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action, and amended as necessary to more clearly and particularly describe the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention.

Claims 1–4 and 7–8 have been amended.

Claims 1–2 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Kyoichi et al. (JP-10039981A). For at least the following reasons, the Examiner's rejection is respectfully traversed.

Kyoichi does not disclose or teach “selection means with selection attributes for selecting an anchor on the hypertext document corresponding to a selection attribute according to an instruction from a user, wherein said user instruction selects one of the selection attributes of said selection means and said selection means selects an anchor having an attribute corresponding to the selected selection attribute” as recited in claims 1 and 2.

Kyoichi discloses a display means 106 that displays data requesting the input of numbers by a user, and a user input detecting means 108 that detects the input by the user. In Kyoichi, a user selects a pictured item on the TV terminal 101 by first using the remote controller 107 to enter the numbers assigned to the pictured item before a link corresponding to the numbers assigned to the pictured item is accessed by the data controlling means 105.

Although a user may depress keys on the Kyoichi remote controller in order to enter numbers assigned to a pictured item, Kyoichi does not teach that the remote controller or the user input detecting means selects *an anchor on a hypertext document* corresponding to a specific key selected by the user. The pictured item in Kyoichi is not *an anchor on the hypertext document*.

The assigned numbers to the pictured item in Kyoichi are also not *an anchor on the hypertext document*. Therefore, Kyoichi fails to teach selection means that selects an anchor on the hypertext document corresponding to a selection attribute selected by a user instruction. Thus, Kyoichi does not disclose or teach all the elements of the claimed invention.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the application is not in a condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No. 32908.

Respectfully submitted,
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